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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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A	US 4,385,010 A (BOSNE) 24 May 1983 (24.05.1983), figs. 3-11.	1-16
A	US 4,855,089 A (MICHELS) 08 August 1989 (08.08.1989), figs. 6a,6b.	1-16
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